Post Partum Centres, Urban Family Welfare Centres and Urban Health Posts. Details of the amount allocated to these Centres during 1995-96 and 1996-97 are given in the attached statement.

**Statement**

| | 1995-96 | 1996-97 |
|---|---|---|
| | | (Rs. in lakhs) |
| Minimum Need Programme | 1293.00 | 1961.00 |
| Rural Family Welfare Centres | 925.00 | 925.00 |
| Post Partum Centres | 228.00 | 228.25 |
| Urban Family Welfare Centres | 16.00 | 15.00 |
| Urban Health Posts | 25.00 | 24.00 |

**Cash Incentive for Family Planning Programme**

11. SHRIMATI LAKSHMI PANABAKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Elabotharam village in A.P. had been selected for the incentive for successful implementation of the family planning programme by the Government;

(b) if so, the incentive awarded;

(c) whether incentive amount will be spent on the development of the village;

(d) if so, the other districts where family planning programmes have been fully implemented in A.P. State;

(e) whether Andhra Pradesh is the only State where a number of districts have been able to achieve the family planning targets; and

(f) if so, the incentives provided to the other villages/districts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 2.00 lakh.

(c) The award money is intended to be used only for developmental works in Elabotharam village.

(d) The Family Welfare Programme is implemented in the districts of Andhra Pradesh.

(e) and (f) The Family Welfare Programme has dispensed with setting of contraceptive method linked targets from April, 1996. Under the 'Community Award Scheme', 249 villages in as many districts of 14 States and Union Territories have been sanctioned Awards of Rs. 2.00 lakh each, for efforts in lowering Birth Rate, Infant Mortality Rate and Child Mortality Rate.

*[Translation]*

**Hospitals/Dispensaries in Gujarat**

12. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any hospital/dispensary has been set up in Gujarat with the help of World Bank during the Eighth Plan; and

(b) if so, the location-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) No hospital/dispensary has been set up in Gujarat with World Bank assistance during the Eighth Plan. However under the IPP VII Project, which is being implemented with World Bank assistance, 578 sub-centres have been constructed in Gujarat during the 8th Plan period.

**Poverty Line**

13. SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Uttar Pradesh Government has requested the Union Government for increasing the economic ceiling of Rs. 11850 (based on the year 1991) to Rs. 15000 for identifying the people living below poverty line;

(b) whether such requests has also been made by other State Governments also; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI RATNMALA D. SAVANOOR): (a) to (c) The Planning Commission has not received any specific request from the State Government of Uttar Pradesh to raise the economic ceiling to identify the people below the poverty line from Rs. 11850 to Rs. 15000. However, such a request has been received from the State Government of Maharashtra. The poverty lines are generally updated at the beginning of the Five Year Plan. The work on the Ninth Five Year Plan is in progress.

**Heart Surgery**

14. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN *ALIAS* PAPPU YADAV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no provision for free heart surgery for the poor and low income group heart patients in Government hospitals and a heavy amount is charged from them;

(b) if so, whether any effective steps are being taken by the Government to make arrangements for heart surgery at divisional (pramandal) level;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATES IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Facilities for heart surgery (both open & closed heart surgery) are available in most of the major government hospitals in the country. The specialised hospitals like AIIMS and G.B. Pant Hospital in Delhi, PGIMER, Chandigarh, etc. do not charge any operation fees or Doctors fee, but the patient has to pay the actual charges for materials and consumables required for the operation.

(b) to (d) Heart surgery is a super specialised procedure which can be performed only in tertiary level Health Care Institutions where the other support facilities are available. 'Health' being a State subject it is for State Governments to provide facilities for heart surgery at different hospitals keeping in view the needs and resources available.

*[English]*

**Passport Office at Kerala**

15. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN:

SHRI S. AJAYA KUMAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of passport applications disposed of by the Calicut, Trivandrum and Cochin passport office during 1996-97 and pending at present, separately at these offices;

(b) whether there is a downward trend in the number of applicants for passports at the above offices as compared to previous years; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI KAMALA SINHA): (a) A statement is attached.

(b) No. Sir.

(c) The question does not arise.

| S.No. | Office | 1996 | | 1997 (As on 30.6.97) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Disposed | Pending | Disposed | Pending |
| 1. | Cochin | 83107 | 8590 | 49212 | 10263 |
| 2. | Kozhikode | 126400 | 22368 | 68878 | 22079 |
| 3. | Trivandrum | 73600 | 11475 | 42873 | 12528 |

**Allotment of DDA Flats**

16. SHRI JAI PRAKASH (HARDOI): Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to refer to the reply given to the Unstarred Question No. 6054 dated 14 May, 1997 and state:

(a) the number of flats which were constructed during 1992-93 and thereafter and are still lying unallotted;

(b) the reasons for which these flats are not allotted;

(c) the number of DDA flats allotted and payments realised during 1997 but their physical possession not yet given; and

(d) the reasons for the giving physical possession to allottees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) The DDA has reported that 3802 flats which were constructed during 1992-93 and thereafter are still lying unallotted.

(b) These flats have not been allotted due to non-availability of electricity to be supplied by Delhi Vidyut Board.

(c) and (d) The number of flats allotted during 1997 is 10934. The allotment of flats, payment realisation from the allottees of DDA and handing over of physical possession is a continuous process. There are no such flats where allottees have made full payment and have completed the required formalities as per rule and where electricity has already been provided by Delhi Vidyut Board which remain unallotted.

**Unauthorised Occupation**

17. SHRI VIJAY SANKESHWAR: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some ex-ministers, ex-MPs and other VIPs are still occupying Government bungalows/flats etc. unauthorisedly;

(b) if so, the details thereof as on June 30, 1997;

(c) the details of dues outstanding against each of them till date; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to get these bungalows/flats vacated and the outstanding dues recovered from each of them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) to (d) There are five ex-Ministers and ex-MPs who are in unauthorised occupation of General Pool accommodation. Information in regard to other VIPs is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.